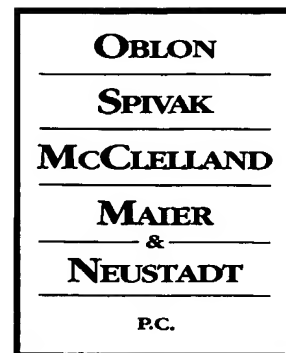




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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/637,662  
Applicants: Yoshiaki ASAO  
Filing Date: August 11, 2003  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT  
DEVICE  
Group Art Unit: 2818  
Examiner: Nguyen, T.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Election Requirement dated September 24, 2004, Applicant elects species of Species I, identified in the outstanding Official Action as corresponding to Claim 1, for further examination on the merits. Applicant identifies Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19 and 22 as readable on the elected species. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19 and 22 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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